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IN RE APPLICATION OF :

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FOR: CLEAN DEVICE WITH CLEAN BOX-OPENING/CLOSING DEVICE

## RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA 22313

SIR:

In response to the Restriction Requirement dated December 10, 2008, Applicant elects, without traverse, Group II, Claims 33-37, for further examination on the merits.

Applicant reserves the right to file one or more divisional applications directed to the non-elected claims.

Respectfully submitted,

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